

## [Project Description and Construction Notes](#)

Construction on the DNRC/DEQ Co-Location Building is nearing completion north of Kalispell's downtown. Gordon Whirry Architecture designed this facility, which will house the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Environmental Quality. This is the first building built by the State of Montana that is expected to become LEED certified.



Gordon Whirry, Architect, Gordon Whirry Architecture, Great Falls, MT

To learn more about this comprehensive and third-party certification for “green” building practices at: <http://www.usgbc.org/DisplayPage.aspx?CategoryID=19> and <http://www.leedcertifiedgreenbuildings.com/leed/> and [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leadership\\_in\\_Energy\\_and\\_Environmental\\_Design](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leadership_in_Energy_and_Environmental_Design)

The selection committee is looking for a creative and finely-executed artwork to be permanently installed in the main lobby. Because the building may house and sponsor rotating exhibits of paintings, photography and other flat media, a \*bas-relief panel [a 2-dimensional or 3-dimensional artwork] of any medium is preferred. Up to \$14,400.00 will be made available for purchase of the artwork and its installation. Quality artistry, manufacture and installation standards must be met, and an engineering report will be required to assure the public safety and longevity of the artwork.

*\*bas-relief - A French term meaning "low-raised work." This art, along with [high relief](#), is known collectively as [relief sculpture](#) -- meant to be seen primarily from one direction -- as opposed to sculpture which is [in the round](#) or [full round](#). (pr. bah'ruh-leef') [borrowed from: ARTLEX: <http://www.artlex.com/ArtLex/b/bas-relief.html>*

Proposals should include any necessary specifications for installation including, but not limited to: specialized lighting of the piece, needs for electricity, water etc. along with the expectation that the artist will provide a maintenance document to the facility.

The artist should offer a budget that is inclusive of all project needs and requirements. This budget should include, but is not restricted to: materials, labor, design fees, installation specifications, supervisory/site visits, travel expenses such as: mileage, meals, lodging, building permits and associated fees, inspection requirements, engineer's report, shipping, packing and any rental fees, and appropriate signage as prescribed by the Montana Arts Council staff.

The selection committee and the Montana Arts Council, reserves the right to consider all applications. They also may use all or part of the \$14,400 budget for the purchase, signage and display of one or more pieces, or may reject all applications. Final approval will be made by the Montana Arts Council board after reviewing the recommendations of the Percent-for-Art selection committee.



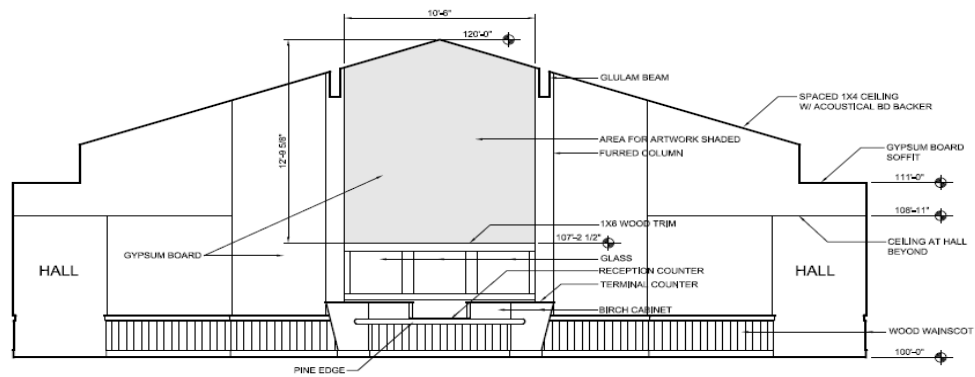
Main Lobby, DNRC/DEQ Co-Locate Building, Kalispell  
Gordon Whirry, Architect



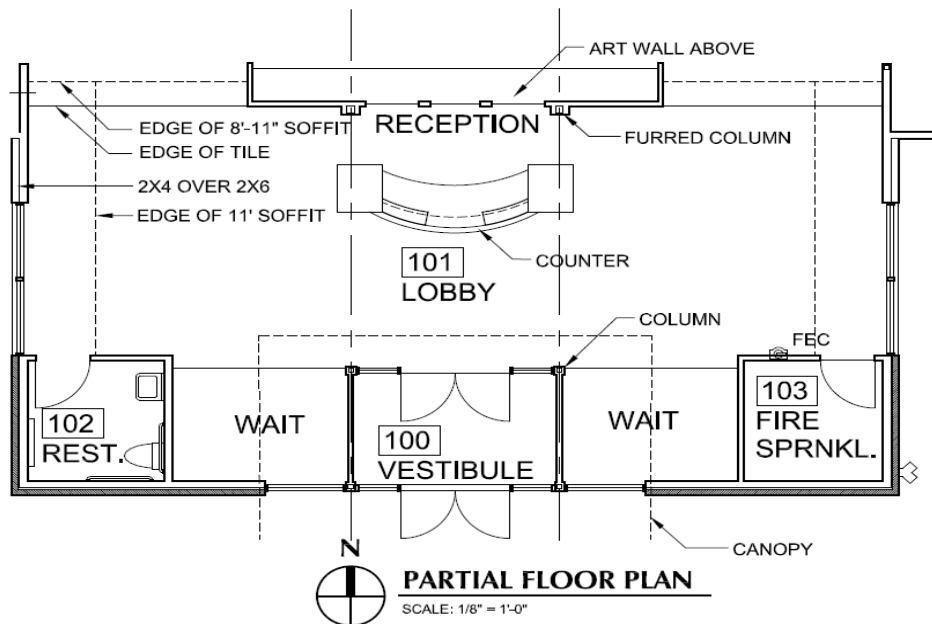
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Windows to the left of the central panel.  
DNRC/DEQ Main Lobby, Gordon Whirry Architecture



**2 LOBBY 101 NORTH ELEVATION**  
 A6.0 SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



**PARTIAL FLOOR PLAN**  
 SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

**ART WALL**

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**DNRC/DEQ CO-LOCATION**

A/E 27-38-01  
 KALISPELL, MONTANA

PROJECT NO: 0716

DATE: 4/17/09

**A7.0**

### Lobby detail

Measurements for the central panel where artwork will be installed:

10'-6' wide and 12'-9-5/8" to the peak.

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*“A civilization begins to manifest itself when men and women have begun to take thought about what it is they construct and how and to what end. It begins to be a living whole when the idea of beauty has found its place alongside the pressure of utility and the spur of need.*

*- August Heckscher*

## **Mission, Vision and Objectives Statements**

### **DNRC**

**To help ensure Montana's land and water resources provide benefits for present and future generations.**

**Water Resources:** The Water Resources Division (WRD) promotes and coordinates the wise use and conservation of Montana's water resources for current and future generations.

The Water Resources Division is responsible for promoting and coordinating the beneficial use, conservation, protection, and development of the Montana's water resources. The Water Resources Division carries out its duties for the purpose of promoting the general welfare and economic and social prosperity of the people of Montana. Sound coordination of the development and utilization of the state's waters allows the Water Resources Division to protect existing uses and to promote adequate future supplies for domestic, industrial, agricultural, recreation, the conservation of water for wildlife, aquatic life, and other beneficial uses.

**Flathead Basin Commission:** To protect the existing high quality of the Flathead Lake aquatic environment; the waters that flow into, out of, or are tributary to the Lake and; the natural resources and environment of the Flathead Basin.

The Flathead Basin Commission, working with our communities and stakeholders, is leading efforts to improve and protect water quality and the natural resources in the Flathead Basin and is realizing measurable results.

**Forestry Division:** Ensure sustainability of Montana forests, rural lands, and communities through cooperative wildland fire protection, sound forest management practices, and by promoting a viable forest-based economy.

**Trust Land Management Division:** Manage the State of Montana's Trust land resources to produce revenue for the Trust beneficiaries while considering environmental factors and protecting the future income-generating capacity of the land.

### **DEQ**

**Protect, sustain, and improve a clean and healthful environment to benefit present and future generations.**

We recognize that most environmental regulations and standards are intended to protect the public health by preventing serious injury or illness.

We recognize that the people of Montana value a quality environment and encourage everyone to share responsibility to protect its quality.

We will encourage innovative thinking and seek practical, long-term solutions that serve the public interest and minimize the environmental effects of proposed actions.

We will seek cost-effective ways to minimize impacts to the environment and will identify for decision makers and the public any legal or institutional barriers that keep them from being used.